

## **Weather and Water (W&W) Goal Team Weekly Newsletter**

### **20 Sept 2004**

If you have questions about this week's minutes, please contact Mary Erickson at 301-713-3557 x183.

#### Next W&W Goal Team Meeting Agenda

- Thursday September 23, 2pm - 3:30 pm EST, SSMC-2 15246
  - o Telecon# 877-934-3485
  - o Password: 168105
- Establish Draft Priorities and These
- Discuss Offset Possibilities
- Finalize Criteria for Establishing Priorities
- Review W&W Team Schedule
- Feedback from CFO Meetings
- Miscellaneous Items

#### Preparation for W&W Program Plan

- Goal Team Leads will be setting up a meeting with CFOs;
- PA&E scheduled to issue Fiscal and Program Guidance on Sept 27
- Goal Team will work with Program Managers to populate templates for key program priorities
- Training for Program Information Reporting System (PERS) during the week of Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>
- W&W Program Plan due to PA&E on October 22

#### Other Important Items/Issues

- PA&E will test their Programming Tool PERS during the week of Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. For the testing phase, PA&E has requested each Goal Team have one member participate in the test.
- PPI will open a feedback forum on the PPBES Website starting September 20<sup>th</sup> and ending on or about October 1<sup>st</sup>. The feedback forum will be similar to the one used for the Strategic Plan and there will be no limit on the size of your response.
- PPI will hold a Lessons Learned Session for Program Managers and Goal Team Staff in October. The meeting is currently scheduled to occur on October 12 from 1-4pm, in SSMC3, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room – Attendees should be prepared to deliver solutions

#### Quick Notes from GT Meeting on 09/16/04

- The W&W Staff meeting with the PA&E Analyst was debriefed to the team. Key points:
  - o Keep in mind: Cost, Schedule, Performance
  - o Program adjustments should include life cycle costs
  - o There was good work on Integrated Obs, but the material was weak in the PBA; PA&E expects a more robust program plan

- W&W Team needs to ensure we identify shifts from research to operations.
- Tom Bucher gave a brief summary of this weeks meetings between the programs and IAI. Feedback was provided by STI, “W&W architecture needs to address research.”
- Discussed the LACI Diagram Schedule
- Recapped PA&E and NEP Program Briefings
- Presented Prioritization Criteria.
  - Goal Team Lead requested suggestions for priorities and that we need to start ranking them
  - Team brainstormed themes and priorities

#### Announcements

- PA&E will start to have weekly meetings with the Goal Leads once the fiscal guidance is released (W/O 09/27)
- Pre-Brief copies of the fiscal guidance will be issued to the AAs on 09/17/04
- All Programs with an NWS component will have to brief the FIRC. Briefings are planned for the 4 weeks from 09/27-10/22.
- NOSC/NOSA will send out an Observing System Template to the Programs during the W/O 09/20. The template will need to be populated by the programs and returned within 4-5 weeks of issue.